

Project Name:

Establish a world class forestry center for the timber industry in Montana

Recipient:**Address:**

32 Campus Drive Missoula, MT 59812

Amount Required:

\$20,000,000

Project Explanation:

This funding would be added to more than \$25,000,000 of private funding to build a forestry school and job training facility in western Montana. Of the nation's leading mass timber producers, two of them are in Montana's First Congressional District. This project can help establish mass timber production as a major economic driver in Montana. Doing so will dramatically increase demands at local mills and produce a jolt to many rural economies across western Montana.

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-2601

March 31, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger
Chairwoman
House Appropriations Committee
H-307, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Re: University of Montana Forestry Building Project

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the University of Montana Forestry Building Project in Fiscal Year 2024.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the University of Montana, located at 32 Campus Drive Brantly 101 Missoula, MT 59812.

The funding would be used to add more than \$25,000,000 of private funding to build a forestry school and job training facility in western Montana. Of the nation's leading mass timber producers, two of them are in Montana's First Congressional District. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because this project can help establish mass timber production as a major economic driver in Montana. Doing so will dramatically increase demands at local mills and produce a jolt to many rural economies across western Montana.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Ryan Zinke
Member of Congress